

# MN BAND TAKES FIRST AT HANOVER

Another victory for the Marple Newtown Marching Band! On Thursday, October 25, the MN Band racked up another win with a first place in the Hanover Halloween Parade.

Instead of the usual different categories, there was one trophy awarded to the best overall band and bandfront. Winning this trophy shows co-operation on the part of all the band members.

Since the MN Band has dominated this competition for several years, it will not return next year.

On Saturday, October 20, the band participated in the North American Championship at Vet Stadium where it placed second in the music category.

For it's next activity, the band is planning a trip to Harrisburg on November 17, to compete in a parade.

## Career Program Initiated

With the recent change in administration, a new concept has been initiated in Marple, the career investigation program.

This program is designed for students to work voluntarily in business offices, elementary schools and local human service agencies. Also, some students are taking outside art and music courses.

All participants in the program leave school during their study halls, usually at the end of the day, to work at their respective assignments.

This concept was drawn up in late August, so news of it spread by word of mouth. Of the students that heard of the program, most located a sponsor in their own area of interest and began working with them.

No student was chosen for this program. It was, and still is, open to all students with time to work outside the school, who can find organizations or people willing to open their offices to them.

Any pupil interested in participating in this program should contact Mr. Capriotti and/or attend the next announced career meeting.

## Rock Concert Planned for Charity Drive

Donations for the annual school Charity Drive will not be collected in social science classes this year.

Executive Student Council has suggested the elimination of car wrecks and slave days, but the administration has not yet approved these ideas.

Students will be freed from classes on a designated afternoon to attend pre-planned fund raising activities. No students will be permitted to leave school, however.

Food and music in the cafeteria, a rock concert, and an athletic event are among suggestions made by Student Council Executives.

Many of these activities will require entrance fees.

"It is the Student Council's responsibility to coordinate and operate the charity drive," explained Bob Dezmelyk, Council President. "The School Board selects Charity Drive Week as a school policy."

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## PYE Asks For Impact Statement

In a nine page report sent to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in Harrisburg, Marple Newtown's Protect Your Environment Club (PYE) has laid its case for an environmental impact statement. The statement concerns the section of the proposed Mid-County Expressway (commonly referred to as the Blue Route) that will pass through Marple Township.

The report reviews the local situation and charts this against the federal laws regarding environmental impact studies. In the report, PYE states, "It's in-

conceivable that there could be no doubt about this highway." It goes on to explain that "an environmental impact statement is required because the Federal Administration criteria specifically state that if the doubt whether or not an environmental impact statement should be prepared and processed, one should be filed."

The PYE report demonstrates the need for an impact statement (EIS). It weighed the cost of construction delay that would result from the study being made against the possible environmental damage that would result if a statement was not filed.

Steven Becker, PYE Club President stated, "It is our contention, after evaluating relevant factors, that the cost of delay is indeed minimal in comparison to the possible environmental destruction that could be incurred if the highway were constructed without prior preparation of an EIS."

PYE, in order to substantiate its arguments,  
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## PICNIC ON MN STAGE



John Ellis photo

A scene from MN's all-school production

November 9 and 10 mark the date of this year's first all school play, *Picnic*, by William Inge. Advance tickets are on sale from any Thespian or apprentice for \$1.25; at the door, tickets are \$1.50.

## NEWSMAKERS

Mar News extends congratulations to:

Girl of the Month- Ellen Ginsburg

Boy of the Month- Daniel Caine

Student of the Month- Susan Cash

DAR AWARD WINNERS-  
Marta Sosangelis  
Steve Martin

For Halloween, the Tiger went masquerading as an ordinary student at MN. The conversations below ensued when he knocked on the doors of some of the illustrious people we know and love.

Dr. Awright, school psychologist:

"Trick or treat."

"What's that son?"

"I said trick or treat."

"No need to become aggressive, son. I realize that you may be pent up emotionally, possibly even close to hysterics, but part of growing up is learning when it is socially proper to vent your emotions."

"Look, mister, do I get a piece of candy or don't I?"

"This is not good at all. You are exhibiting signs of paranoia, inferiority complex and halitosis. I suggest that you step inside here for a minute while I look those words up in my 'Do-it-yourself psychology book.' I think you need immediate help."

"Whaddaya mean! I need help? You need help! All I want is a piece of gum, a 3 Musketeers bar, or something."

"Hostility, aggressiveness, all signs of an acute mental disorder. Do you think your craving for candy stems from a deprived childhood? Did your mother neglect you? Do you often feel this absolute need for sweets? I think we'd better run some tests."

"No candy, huh? Since I didn't get a treat I'll have to give you a trick. I'm gonna come back and smash all your windows."

As he was moving on, he heard the psychologist mumbling,

"Definite symptoms of a manic aggressive depressive."

Dr. Rutabega, head of counseling.

"Trick or Treat."

"I have to see if we have any information in our files on that."

"On Trick or Treat?"

"I've never heard of it. Personally, I think you'd be happier at Penn State."

"I'd be happier with a piece of candy."

"What state is that in?"

"Just give me a chocolate bar so I can get out of here."

"You know, Penn State likes people who know what

they want to accomplish, and are in a hurry to do it."

"Look, I haven't been doing too well tonight, and if you'd just give me a —"

"Let me assure you that scholastic achievement is not necessary for entrance into Penn State. You need only show promise, whatever that is. What's your name, son? I'll have to look you up in our file."

"I already know where I want to go to college, and it's not Penn State. Why am I even talking to you about college? All I want is a piece of candy."

"If your heart's set on Apeace Ovkundie, I'll see what I can do. But I really think you ought to go to Penn State."

"O.K. I'll go to Penn State if you just give me a

ween donation."

"So you want charity, huh? Well I'll have to see if it's your first offence or not. Did you say your name was John?"

"I didn't say anything."

"John Ditter."

"But my name isn't —"

"Hmmm. A spotless record, John: I think I'll let you off with three this time."

"Very generous."

Mr. Mathomatsky, a prominent member of the faculty:

"Trick or treat."

"That's the problem with kids today. They want everything to fall into their laps."

"All I want, (I'm getting so tired of explaining to these people), is a

"I don't know about responsibilities, but this is Halloween. On Halloween kids go around and ask neighbors for treats."

"Kicks. That's all you kids want is your kicks. Based on that definition, what makes Halloween different from other days?"

"I don't agree with you at all."

"You don't have to agree with me, da--it, but at least listen to what I am saying."

With this, the teacher crossed his arms, bowed his head and paced up and down for a few seconds before he looked up. He seemed self-satisfied.

"At any rate, Whatever you say won't affect the amount of treats I give you. I don't give gifts."

Downhearted and candyless, the Tiger trudged yet onward.

Miss Corleone:

"Trick or treat?"

"Let me tell you about the basic background of Halloween. It'll only take about a week. Do you have your 5 sharpened pencils and 3 sharpened pens?"

"Sharpened pens?"

"Are you wisening off? I'll see you after school."

"Look, all I want is a piece of candy. Besides this is at night. School was over hours ago."

"Oh! Oh! Let me see. I can't think of any rule anywhere about giving Halloween candy out. It must be against some rule. I'm lost without a rule."

"Let's use common sense?"

"Is that anything like common market?"

"You can use your brain, I trust?"

"F.D.R. ! He was a great man."

"Good night, lady. And thanks anyway."

She seemed to be indicating by her shrug, "Why would he want to leave? I can't understand."

Mr. Coprialli, school principal:

"Trick or treat."

"Hello. You look like the MN Tiger dressed up as a student. Wait just a minute, and I'll get you M & M's."

"Hey, you know what's going on?"

"No kidding, my office door doesn't have a lock."

The Tiger's Eyes opened wide in amazement and disbelief. As he walked away he thought, "Maybe things'll be alright with him around."



Good and Plenty."

"Is that a catalogue I don't know about?"

"I'm getting out of here. Goodbye Mister. And you know what you can do with your catalogue and files."

After the Tiger had left, Rutabega mused, "Well there's one commission I won't collect from Penn State. But I do wish he hadn't been so indefinite about his plans."

Mr. Willy-Ams: Ass't Principal

"Trick or Treat"

"What's your name?"

"Why do you have to know my name?"

"So I can thumb through me records to find out what you did."

"Huh? I didn't do nothing. I just want a Hallo-

piece of candy."

"A goodie. A sweet. Is that it?"

"Exactly! I'm glad I found someone who—"

"Everything's got to be pleasant for you kids. You never want to face the problems in the world today."

"I guess you don't understand what I want."

"You don't understand. It's a nice, easy excuse. But sooner or later you're going to have to deal with the issues."

"O.K. What are the issues?"

"Well for one thing you kids want all sorts of freedoms, and you're not willing to take responsibilities. For another thing, they want to investigate Nixon."



# FROM THE EDITOR'S

## DESK

Football season has turned everyone's attention to our new scoreboard. The Physical Education Department is very proud of our new property and rightly so. Since 1970 the department has been petitioning for a replacement for the old board bought in 1956. Each year since 1970 they saved \$2,000 from the Athletic Association Fund (allotted school board funds and money taken in at athletic events).

Three years and \$6,000 later the Physical Education Department won its battle. However, a large percentage of the school wondered why they had won. Where do our priorities lie when the English Department does not have enough money for books, yet the Athletic Department has \$2,000 to spare for three consecutive years?

The athletic department is not to blame; the money in their fund is theirs to use as they deem necessary. Then who is to blame? The blame may lie on the distributor of school funds. The allotted funds for the Physical Education Department are obtained through the school board. Perhaps the next budget should allot less money for athletics.

It is nice to know that we live in such an affluent school district. Perhaps next time the school board should share the apparent wealth. It would be nice to have a bigger cafeteria or an air-conditioned auditorium or a student lounge or maybe even enough books in English class.

Linda Famiglio

Although formal dances are becoming a thing of the past, the senior prom is the culmination of high school life for most students. So why all the mumbling and grumbling about the approximate thirty dollar cost of this year's prom ticket? Is it because the actual cost is forty dollars a couple before senior class subsidizing?

Yes, forty dollars is quite high for one enchanted evening, but that is the price of a prom today. The cost of living has skyrocketed. Everyone is a victim of outrageous prices.

In determining the price of the prom ticket, the committee must consider the price of the following items: the cost of the dinner which includes the meal, gratuity and tax, open coke bar, and 3a.m. coffee and danish, the cost of entertainment, prom keys, decorations and invitations.

The major item is the dinner, but that figure is inflexible.

## NOTICE

Have you registered for the draft yet? Failure to register is a felony violation of the Military Selective Service Act.

Young men must register during the 60-day period beginning 30 days before their 18th birthday.

Lottery numbers are assigned to 19 year olds, and at the age of 20 men are liable for call-up by lottery number if an emergency requires resumption of draft calls.

Registration office address is:

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600 North Jackson St.  
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November 3, 1973-A.M.	S.A.T.
November 5, 6 1973	Video-Tape of Financial Aid-Career Planning Center 1:30-2:30
December 1, 1973 All Day	S.A.T. and Achievement Tests
December 8, 1973	A.C.T.
January 12, 1974-A.M.	Achievement Test
February 2, 1974-A.M.	S.A.T.
February 4, 1974-P.M.	Post-Graduate Planning Night (Juniors)
April 6, 1974-A.M.	S.A.T.
May 4, 1974-A.M.	Achievement Tests
May 13 to 17, 1974 inc.	Advanced Placement Tests
June 22, 1974-A.M.	S.A.T.

# Cost of Senior Prom Questioned

To keep up with the ever increasing cost of food, all restaurants have raised their prices. The Treadway Inn, the site of last year's Junior Prom has increased their prices in keeping with the times. The cost of the banquet at the Downingtown Inn, this year's

choice, is expensive, but comparable to all other places.

By comparing prices of a variety of different restaurants and groups, it is evident that the real villain is the high cost of living.

Prom keys and decorations  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Our fearless leader, President Nixon has done it again.

With the firing of special prosecutor, Archibald Cox and the resignation of Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson, Mr. Nixon has brought the Presidency to an all time low, never before experienced by the United States.

The president, representative of the United States to the entire world, must be above reproach. The citizens of this country look upon the president as a model: a good man who can be emulated. When the president turns out to be much less than virtuous, the people's trust in themselves is shaken. Also, their faith in their country as a whole is destroyed.

Mr. Nixon has done enough damage to this country. More scandals have engulfed Nixon's presidential career than that of any other president; the latest developments include Watergate, the resignation of Vice-President Agnew, and the White House tapes.

Is the president so much above the law that he is permitted to order offices closed off and papers destroyed? I think not---a dictator perhaps, but not the president of a democracy.

By now it seems quite obvious that the president is not putting the good of the country before his own selfish desires.

I submit that Mr. Nixon be impeached or at least have some of the powers, which he has abused, limited before he gains more power and injures the country further.

Mary Wesoski

Dear Editor,

In a recent issue of Mar News I noticed a mistake. In your article about "The Last of Sheila" you misspelled (sic) the name "Sheila." Those of us whose names are constantly misspelled would appreciate that you make sure all names in your articles are correctly spelled.

Sheila Pearlman

P.S. It is "E" before "I" not the other way around.

Editor's note: Dear Sheila, you misspelled "misspelled."

Dear Editor,

In the annals of school history there are always places or facts that are truly disgraceful. This year it appears that the school swimming pool wins the dubious honor.

All students are required to take two years of swimming. Why then, doesn't the school keep the pool in sanitary condition.

On the bottom there is a layer of scum composed of hair and filth. In an attempt to keep the bacteria level at a minimum, excess chlorine is added. This causes the water to burn and redden the eyes.

In addition to the unsanitary conditions, the temperature of the water is much too warm. It is, therefore, very uncomfortable to swim for any period of time.

I encourage the administration and Physical Education Department to take immediate action to remedy this situation. Either a better filter system should be used or the entire pool drained and cleaned.

Action to fix these deplorable conditions must be taken immediately.

Peter Tallian

## Exchange Club Members Attend Super Sunday

On a windy Sunday afternoon, thirteen members of the International Exchange Club went by bus to the October 14th Super Sunday in Philadelphia.

The streets were packed from the Franklin Institute to the Art Museum with thousands of people attending the affair. MN's group broke up into three smaller groups, as it was impossible for such a large group to stay together.

If you ask a member how he managed to keep from getting lost in such a horde of people, he will probably say, "I followed a floating plant around the city!"

This, believe it or not, is the truth. There was only one member who knew his way around the city. He bought a plant in a bright red vase and held it high in the air whenever anyone was lost. Not everybody can claim they were saved by a plant.

On a visit to the Art Museum, IEC members saw a collection of Marcel Du Champ. There was one particularly good painting at the end of a corridor, portraying a partially opened door. Upon bringing it to the attention of Ricardo, everyone was surprised when he looked through the opening of the doorway and tried to open it wider.

They also saw two rock bands (while waiting in line for food) and some traditional Jewish dancing.

Although it was hectic, a good time was had by all.

## JOE MAHER SELECTED FOR ALL STATE CHOIR

Joseph Maher a senior at Marple Newtown will participate in the Pennsylvania Music Education Association's All State Choir in Pittsburgh on January 5th.

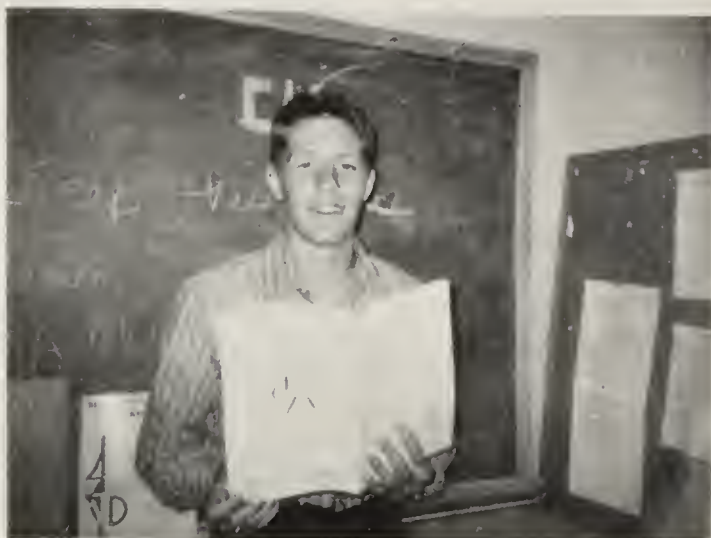
Joe explained that state-wide choir is held once every four years. This limits the number of people eligible to participate.

"As in all PMEA functions, you receive the opportunity to work with an outstanding conductor."

PMEA choir is under the direction of Dr. Russel Gietz.

Six top vocalists from each section of district choir are eligible for regional choir. From there

the best four underclassmen from each voice group are chosen for PMEA All State Choir.



Joe, a tenor in the choir, is currently president of Marple's 73-74

choir. Joe's other interests include foreign languages, drama, and soccer.

## Nixon Proclaims...

Richard Nixon has declared November 14, 1973, as National Student Government Day.

"Schools should be not only centers of learning but also laboratories for democracy," stated the President in his proclamation concerning National Student Government Day.

He continued, "I also urge all educational institutions to join in appropriate activities to highlight the importance of student government and to encourage wider participation in its activities."

## Seniors Should Work

## To Increase Their Treasury

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tions add finishing touches and their cost is not subject to negotiation.

The only way to cut down the cost is to spend less money on entertainment.

Does entertainment make the prom? There is no sense in cutting corners by settling for fair rock groups and entertainers.

The class of '71 spent over four thousand dollars on entertainment which included Jerry Jeff Walker who is singer of "Mr. Bo Bangles" and comedian David Brenner. Although this year's senior class only plans to spend half that much money, they want to get top rate entertainment.

There is no other choice but to pay these exorbitant prices. However, if the Class of '74 does want a first class prom and yet doesn't want to pay those ridiculous prices, they should work to build up their treasury so a larger portion of each ticket could be further subsidized.

The Class of '75 now has three times as much money as this year's senior class. Embarrassing. Sen-

iors isn't it?

There should have been a concentrated effort by the class towards fundraising since their sophomore year so that meeting the demands of high prices would not be such a serious problem. Although there is not much time left, it is never too late. By participating in the fundraising drive which is currently in progress, seniors will be able to reduce the cost of the prom ticket for the class as a whole plus their individual ticket even further. Perhaps interested seniors can come forth with suggestions for the entertainment and new ideas for fund raising.

For the Class of '74 this is really the first venture into the adult world. So one wants to anticipate pleasure at this exciting step marked by discord.

So, seniors, after your mulling and mulling, unite to make the senior prom a memorable evening.

Barbara Schaff

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## Fire Procedure Explained

Do you know that each fire alarm has a different code to inform the listener of the location of the fire? Do you know the alternate fire drill routes from your classroom?

Unfortunately, not many students or faculty members are aware of these things.

Mr. Best is concerned about the ignorance involving fire drill procedures. He says he is worried about the safety of students not only as an administrator, but also as a parent with two children in the district.

Fire drills serve a dual purpose: To get students out of the school and to get them out safely.

Alternate routes are necessary, but as of now, unknown to many individuals. Mr. Best feels this situation must be changed, if students are familiar with alternate routes they will be less likely to panic during a fire.

Also, each alarm box has a separate code. If teachers know the codes, they can determine the location of the fire and use alternate routes when necessary.

A master handout of all the codes is being compiled by Mr. Best. It will be posted in each classroom and distributed to faculty members.

## Mrs. Schmitt Recalls Sabbatical

Mrs. Thelma Schmitt, biology teacher at MN, travelled extensively, attended several conferences and participated in numerous other activities during her year long sabbatical.

Last June Mrs. Schmitt, PYE sponsor, attended a symposium on Ecology Photography at Muhlenberg college.

An Eclipse cruise to view the total eclipse of the sun at sea aboard the Greek ship Olympia highlighted her summer. Olympia then sailed to Nova Scotia where the passengers photographed panets and other oceanic birds.

Mrs. Schmitt attended a National Audubon Society conference that consisted of field trips, meetings, lectures, and movies in September.

An all day hike in a rain forest was included in Mrs. Schmitt's trip to Hawaii.

In March the biology teacher accompanied the group on their tour of Italy. After several local trips Mrs. Schmitt flew to the Galapagos islands with the United Nations Association.

She then travelled throughout the Caribbean on another Eclipse cruise.

## MN Joins Junior Achievement

Junior Achievement, an international business education program, has been in existence several years, but this is the first year Marple Newtown has been invited to join.

The main JA office is in Philadelphia, however, a more convenient sub-branch is located in Media. The Media department, headed by Mr. Walls, holds weekly meetings open to any willing, interested students. Over 70,000 subscribers, including large corporations, support Junior Achievement.

The purpose of JA is to promote a better understanding of the operation of a business enterprise. Each business is capital-

ized through the sale of stock. Organized into miniature companies, Junior Achievers manufacture a product, sell their merchandise, and pay dividends to their stockholders.

Actually, Junior Achievement operates under the same pattern as a large corporation. Participants acquire knowledge of production in business.

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people have stopped regarding this area as a haven for losers and boobies.

The Elvers made the semifinals last season and this season looks even more promising. The 76ers, while not of championship caliber, have already won twice while losing 16 less games at that point than last season. The Phillies have made several excellent trades and are probably one power-hitter and one relief pitcher away from contention. The Eagles, under the leadership of Mike McCormack and the passing of Roman Gabriel, show an attitude unusual for such an inexperienced team. And what can one say about the Atoms, who won the North American Soccer League Championship in their first year?

So why, with so much potential in our sports teams, aren't we, the Philadelphia area fans, jumping up and down with excitement?

Because, as the saying goes, its performance that counts!!

S. Farber

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included in its report a discussion of how the proposed Blue Route will affect air and water quality, land use and planning, and ambient noise levels. The report also evaluates social effects and commitment of resources. In every one of these areas the PNC Club reports the potential for major environmental change and damage. The report concludes we feel that the decision to require an EIS is the only reasonable and responsible decision and that it is imperative.

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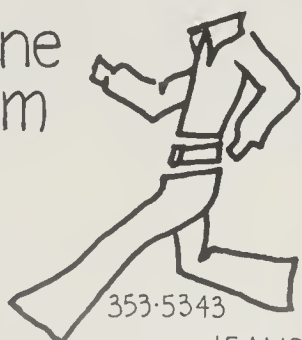
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Field Hockey Wins

For the past two weeks the Girls' Hockey teams have continued to display outstanding playing qualities which match the mounting number of victories this season.

Most recent among our Tiger victims is Lower Merion. Both the Varsity and JV squads defeated LM by scores of 1-0 on October 25. The Varsity's point, scored by Marian McConnell, came in the second half of the game. Donna Artzeronian managed to give the JV a 1-0 edge over Lower Merion.

The previous Thursday, October 18, Upper Darby came to MN to try their luck. The Varsity's first goal came in early minutes of play by Ginger Gorrell, giving MN a slight 1-0 lead. However, Upper Darby played to win the game regardless of rough play, and soon the game score stood at 1-1. The game became the most exciting of the season as Maureen Mallon scored a revenge goal in the last three minutes of play for a 2-1 Tiger Victory.

Excitement from the Varsity's game led JV on to outmaster Upper Darby, 2-0. Denise Trevisan accounted for both of the goals.

Tuesday, October 16, MN crushed Conestoga's teams by brilliant shutouts. The Varsity and JV teams did not give Conestoga an inch of leeway. Varsity's score, 6-0, included four goals by Co-Captain Jane Fortescue (one on a free shot due to a penalty) and one a piece by Marian McConnell and Ginger Gorrell. Donna Artzeronian stole the limelight by scoring three times in JV's game. Her goals plus a solo by Gail Gretzmacher accounted for a 4-0 shutout against Conestoga.

## Actions Speak Louder Than Words

In the Halloween season, goblins and ghosts come out of year-long seclusion. Not only do the spirits include those of us who have passed on, but entire sports teams whose members are now inactive.

Only a couple of years ago, people in the Delaware Valley found themselves talking more about ghost teams than those that were then playing. The Whiz Kids of 1950, the Eagles' championship of 1960, even Connie Mack and the Athletics were popular topics.

Recently, however, a new spirit has emerged in Philadelphia sports circles. Now, with the youth of the Philadelphia Atoms, Flyers, Phillies, Eagles, and 76ers,

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## TURNOVERS REMOVE MARPLE

Can a football team give up the ball thirteen times in two games and expect to win even one of them? The Marple Newtown Tigers discovered that this was impossible when they lost to Conestoga and Upper Darby in Central League action.

In the first real test of Tiger potential to win the championship of the league, the Tigers faltered as they fell to Conestoga by a score of 13-9. Tiger offense turned the ball over six times, often while they were within striking distance of a touchdown. Conestoga found the MN defense hard to penetrate and scored its two touchdowns, a punt return and a fake punt against the Tiger Specialty teams. Dave Trevisan scored a Tiger touch-

## THOSE DONKEYS ARE BACK



Donkey Basketball returns to MN! After a sellout crowd last year, the Marple Newtown Senior High P.T.O. is sponsoring another Donkey Basketball game on November 14 at 7:30 P.M. Faculty and students will oppose each other on the backs of donkeys.

Tickets will be on sale at the school at a discount. Seating is limited so tickets should be purchased early.

Miss Smith of the History Department is in charge of tickets and plans.

Announcements will be made regarding the date of ticket sales.

## FROM CENTRAL LEAGUE RACE

down, and the Tiger defense scored a safety on a blocked punt.

The Tigers traveled to winless Upper Darby and were overrun by the Royals, 42-21. Marple quarterback, Pete Bartlett, was the victim of five interceptions. Tiger ball carriers tumbled twice, and one punt was blocked.

Marple led 14-7 after

the first quarter, on a Dave Trevisan run and a 50 yard touchdown pass. The Tigers crumbled in the second half as Upper Darby capitalized on Tiger turnovers.

In the final quarter, Upper Darby intercepted three passes preventing the Tigers from rallying. The Tigers stand in fifth place in the Central League, with a 3 win, 2 loss record.



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